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1. LOCAL PRESS REPORTS INTERVIEW BY SENGHOR IN FIGARO OF OCT 23 ON MIDDLE EAST. PRINCIPAL NEW POINT MADE BY PRESIDENT WAS THAT HE BELIEVES ISRAEL'S FRONTIERS SHOULD BE GUARANTEED BY THE FIVE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL. SENGHOR ALSO REPEATS NEED FOR ISRAELI DECLARATION OF NON-ANNEXATION AND HIS BELIEF THAT MINOR BORDER RECTIFICATIONS OF " FEW KILOMETERS" ARE POSSIBLE.

2. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON POSSIBILITY HIS RESUMING MEDIATION ROLE HE UNDERTOOK IN 1971, SENGHOR STATED THAT FOR THREE YEARS ONE PARTY OR OTHER HAD MORE OR LESS UNOFFICIALLY REQUESTED HE DO SO. QTE. I HAVE ALWAYS SAID YES, IF THE TWO PARTIES REQUEST IT. THIS IS ONE OF THE REASONS WHY SENEGAL HAS NOT BROKEN WITH ISRAEL, ALTHOUGH I HAVE CONDEMNED THE POLICY OF THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT. UNQTE.

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3. FOR SENGHOR AND FOR OAU EGYPT IS PART OF AFRICAN

CONTINENT. QTE. FOR US THIS IS THE NUB OF THE PROBLEM.
WE ARE WITH (SOLIDAIRES DE) EGYPT BECAUSE WE CANNOT PERMIT
ISRAEL TO ANNEX A PART OF THE AFRICAN TERRITORY. FOR ME,
EGYPT IS NOT THE MIDDLE EAST, IT REPRESENTS AFRICANNESS,
THAT IS, THE SYMBIOSIS BETWEEN THE ARAB-BERBER AND THE
NEGRO-AFRICAN CIVILIZATIONS. UNQTE. FINALLY, HE RECALLED
RIGHT OF PALESTINIANS TO HAVE QTE UNE PARTRIE UNQTE.
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